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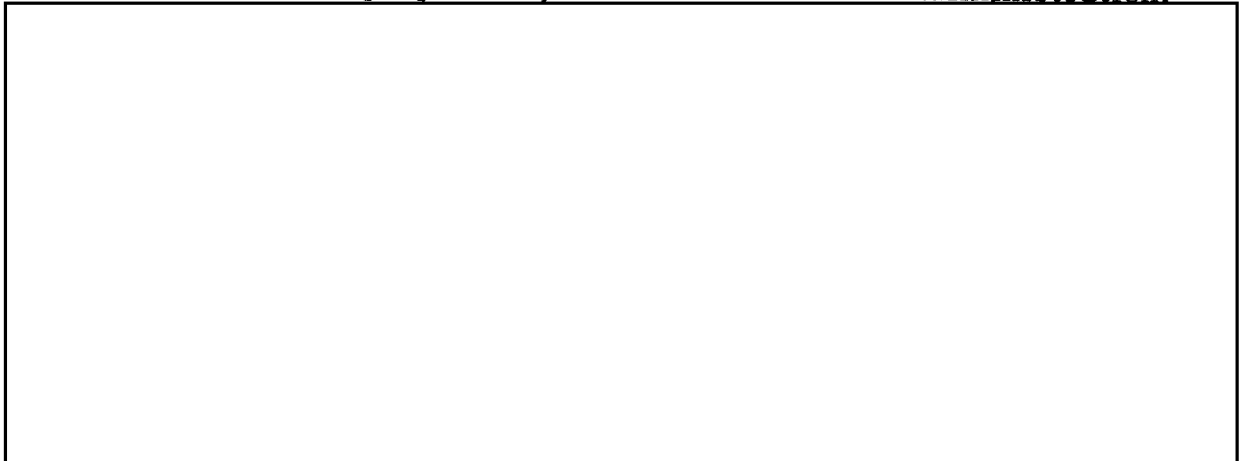
Friday - 15 April 1955

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1. Col. White and I called on Sen. Beall (R., Md.) to brief him on the status of the proposed CIA building. We explained our needs and that we were presently considering several sites, including some property in Maryland, particularly in the Cabin John Valley area. Col. White assured Sen. Beall that we would look at every piece of property concerning which we had received a communication. Sen. Beall expressed himself as very pleased with this approach and stated that he was not going to become involved in the question of selection of a site other than to state that he would of course like to see the installation in Maryland. He closed by saying that he would be happy to be of any assistance on the legislative end of our problem.

2. The Senate Appropriations Committee has published an inventory report on Federal real property in the United States as of December 31, 1953, prepared by the General Services Administration.

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3. [redacted] of the IG office, informs me that they have been into the case of [redacted] employee whose mediocre employment record has caused some problems. As a result of these talks [redacted] is being given a new 90-day warning letter to which he objects. He wishes the slate to be wiped clean at this time and states that he is taking the matter to Sen. Pastore, who is a member of the Senate Post Office & Civil Service Committee.

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4. On April 14 on the Floor of the Senate, Senator Knowland urged a full hearing as to what is being done to free the American airmen in China. This view was endorsed by Sen. Morse, suggesting that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee have a full briefing on the subject by the Departments of State, Defense and CIA.